

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Applicant has carefully considered the Office Action of June 12, 2006, and the references cited therein. In the Office Action, claims 1-3, 5, 6, and 8-16 were once again rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Zhao et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,514,602) in view of Grenier (U.S. Patent No. 5,613,964).

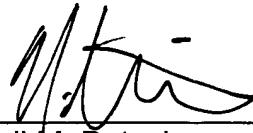
As now amended, each of the presently pending claims requires a generally liquid permeable, **non-apertured** cover sheet of a first material, and the water vapor transmission rate of the backsheet of a **second material different from the first material** to be at least about 20% of the water vapor transmission rate of the cover sheet.

As stated in the previous Response, the films described in Zhao et al primarily pertain to the backsheets. Moreover, Zhao et al is directed to use of the same material for the topsheets (cover sheet) as the backsheet. In addition, the cover sheet material in Zhao et al is **apertured**. As amended, all of the presently pending claims require a non-apertured cover sheet that is a different material from the back sheet. As such, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims patentably define over Zhao et al.

If any fee or extension of time is required to obtain entry of this Amendment, the undersigned hereby petitions the Commissioner to grant any necessary time extension and authorizes charging Deposit Account No. 04-1403 for any such fee not submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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